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told, God's xarxank plan is His great servant, His great leader from away in advance.

But maybe the repeated mention xxxx of the ______ here is a little bit out of the

ordinary. It fits with something we learn later about the servant.of the Lord. Up to the present point by itself it would tell nothing, but it's an interesting But then he says, "he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword in the shadow of his hand hath he hid me, the Lord hath protected me, and the Lord hath made the servant like a polished shaft, one adapted to accomplish the purpose for which he hadh put in there, and says, Thou art My Servant, Oh Israel, in whom I will be floried, but then I said, now, who is the servant? Is he the whole nation that we now we speak? Israel the servant? Is it the servant who speaks looking back at the past situation, and trying to bring out the fact again that it does not look possible that the servant would be able to do the work. because they are in exile, they are in bondage, becaus of their sin. Then hazaxidax shall I add. I have laboured in vain, I havd spent my strength for nought, and in vain: and yet if God is going to do it, yet surely my judgment is with the Lord, and my work servant's work could ever with God. Up to this present/I can't see when how the fifthe / fertal the / th municipal accomplished, and yet, God has promised that the judgment is with the turnst in God, that he will be able to accomplish the work. So. the Lord goes on to say, he will, now hexees says the Lord that formed me from the womb to be his servant, again a reference to the relation to the mother which is rather strange if _____ out of the whole nation, but itxxxxxxx which certainly suggest that it may be one out of the nation who is the servant representing the

by one very special one who is macde into a polished shaft. Now he says the Lord that formed me from the womb to be his servant shall bring Jacob again.

first clear reference that the servant is to do anything

nation doing the work which the nation must do, but which hat antix be only begun

in relati n to Israel, but we are (now) told that the servant is to bring Jacob again to God. And when you say that, you have a first clear intimation that the servant is

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